

Dear Commissioners,

My name is Tan-Lee Lee and I'm a resident of Monterey Park, and Elder of BooShee Temple of Southern California.

Our community in West SGV has a strong and distinct cultural and linguistic association. Residents go to the same churches, the same shopping centers, the same restaurants. Importantly, the AAPI community throughout the region share common policy concerns – the anti-Asian hate that emerged during the pandemic is but one example of this. This includes the Chinatown residents that have lots of their friends and family members live in the West SGV communities and all are connected very tightly culturally, economically, and socially. The Chinese Communities have their heritage roots in Chinatown. Therefore, Chinatown and West SGV should be all included in one County District.

The Commission must consider keeping the Asian American community of interest in West SGV and Chinatown as a whole.

Truly Yours,

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